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For : OPTICAL CHARACTERISTIC MEASURING INSTRUMENT
AND METHOD, PROGRAM, AND RECORD MEDIUM ON
WHICH THE PROGRAM IS RECORDED

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-identified patent application on
the merits, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the claims as
follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins
on page 2 of this paper.